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1. The reply brief filed February 28, 2008 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

2. The information disclosure statement (IDS) filed July 15, 2008 has been considered. Applicant stated in the cover letter of this IDS that “[n]o fee is required.” The Examiner respectfully submits that the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(p) was required. In fact, the instant IDS was filed after the final rejection on November 26, 2007. Thus, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(d), the IDS was required to be accompanied by: (a) the statement specified in paragraph (e) of this section; and (b) the fee set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(p). This fee of \$180 has been charged to Applicant’s Deposit Account No. 08-0219 per Applicant’s authorization in the cover letter of the IDS.

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Vinh T. Luong whose telephone number is 571-272-7109. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner’s supervisor, Richard Ridley can be reached on 571-272-6917. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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